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## Marginal Column

IS it a denial of the freedom of speech when a man is prohibited from crying "fire" in a crowded theatre? Mr. Justice Holmes thought it was not, but some of our contemporaries beg to differ. Some liberals argue that the privileges of democracy (freedom of speech, of association, of opposition to the government, etc.) are the cause of democracy and have to be preserved for all members of the nation whatever their attitude to the obligations of democracy. If they are not extended to all, including the enemies of democracy, the democratic character of the regime is affected and a dangerous precedent created: today one group of people is denied the privileges of democracy, tomorrow another and who knows where this will end?

SUCH an attitude, to be sure, has little in common with liberalism and stems from a fairly widespread confusion of thought. Never and nowhere have these freedoms been the fruits of democracy, they are the fruits of a continued use of the democratic method, as the late H.F.M. Durbin put it. The basis of democracy is a social contract between the parties in a state, not to persecute, to "liquidate" each other, but to abide by the democratic method which is one of discussion and choice. There is no other method or basis on which the privileges of democracy are made possible; groups not parties to the contract, that alone creates the possibility of political liberty, can never claim the moral right to use the privileges of democracy. They might be tolerated as long as they do not endanger democratic liberties. But, they have never any right to democratic freedom.

At a time when democracy is on the retreat throughout the world, its defence has become a central issue but it presupposes some rethinking on essentials: Notions prevalent during the days of John Stuart Mill are of little help now. If democracy is to remain a living force, it should not be allowed to degenerate into a suicide club either as a result of the cunning of its destroyers or the confusion of some of its proponents.

Jerusalem, April 15.

## Israel and Holland Sign 5th Trade Pact at Hague

A new commercial agreement between Israel and Holland was signed yesterday in the Hague, it was officially announced in Jerusalem.

The agreement—the fifth between the two countries—is for an indefinite period, unlike the previous pacts which were for one year each. However, the list of goods attached to the agreement covers only one year.

The new agreement is much more comprehensive than the previous one. Israel is to import a total of 16m. guilders (\$4.2m.) worth of goods, as compared with 11.5m. guilders last year. It is to export 12.5m. guilders (\$3.3m.) worth of goods, as compared with 11.5m. guilders last year.

The balance will be covered by payment in guilders against the sale of Independence Bonds in Holland. Persons transferring capital from Holland will now receive the IL1.800 to the dollar rate.

The chief export to Holland will again be citrus. Other exports will be textiles, metal and industrial goods. The new agricultural products include bananas and ground nuts.

The list of imports again includes such products as seeds, milk powder and baby foods, chemicals and machinery.

The agreement was signed by Dr. C. W. Ininger, Director of the Department for Foreign Trade in the Dutch Ministry of Economics, and Mr. M. Barut, Director of the Economic Affairs of the Israel Foreign Ministry.

## US Allocation for Israel Rubber Purchases

WASHINGTON, Monday (UP).—The Foreign Operations Administration announced today that it has allocated \$300,000 to Israel for the purchase of rubber from Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand or Liberia. Israel has its choice of obtaining the supplies from those areas.

## JAGAN JAILED FOR SIX MONTHS

GEORGETOWN, British Guiana, Monday (Reuters).—Dr. Cheddi Jagan, deposed Premier of British Guiana and leader of the Peoples Progressive Party, was today sentenced to six months' imprisonment for violating an order restricting his movements to Georgetown.

## West Supports Brazil Plan in Council Debate

UNITED NATIONS, Monday.—Britain, France and the United States supported a move made by the Brazilian delegate at the Security Council tonight to solve the procedural deadlock on the Israel-Jordan border tension issue by first adopting the provisional agenda and then holding a general debate.

## Iran Consortium To Pay Anglo-Iranian

LONDON, Monday (Reuters).—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden said today that seven world oil companies, who have joined Anglo-Iranian in a consortium to re-develop Persian oil would compensate the British company if agreement is reached with Persia.

Telling the House of Commons of the agreement to start negotiations with Persia and to set up a provisional consortium, Mr. Eden said, "It is our policy to do all in our power to ensure the well-being and prosperity of Persia."

Mr. Eden was pressed by questioners to state whether Anglo-Iranian, formerly the sole oil concessionary in south Persia, would receive compensation for the fixed assets in the giant Abadan oil refinery.

He said, "Of course the other parties in the event of an agreement being reached will be paying Anglo-Iranian for the interest they will acquire. It was never in our minds that this arrangement could be come to without the other companies paying Anglo-Iranian for the share they would take."

Mr. Eden said holdings in the consortium were allocated on the basis of 40% for Anglo-Iranian, 40% for all the five American companies—Standard Oil of New Jersey, Standard Oil of California, Texas Oil, Gulf Oil, and Socony-Vacuum, 16% for Royal Dutch Shell and six per cent for the Compagnie Francaise des Petroles.

## CAUTIOUS VIEW

LONDON, Monday (Reuters).—The "Financial Times" took a cautious view today about the Persian oil negotiations to be held shortly in Tehran.

"What appears to have emerged is a compromise between the British and the Americans, that they are not insisting on anything less than the British Government would have desired and may be something more than the U.S. Government initially had in mind."

Today, Mr. Vyshinsky claimed that the two sides were identical. Joint consideration of the present complaints, far from being necessary, was not even expedient and could lead to further complications, he said.

"I feel we should take up the complaints as specified in the agenda, but in examining them, separately I do not think it possible to exclude representatives from touching on broader political issues," said Mr. Vyshinsky.

Sir Pieter Dizon of Britain supported the Brazilian-Colombian suggestion as a "suitable compromise." Sir Nixon said it was "astounded" by the Vyshinsky conclusion.

"The council must shoulder its responsibilities for maintaining peace in this troubled area. If it must do this it must be allowed to review the existing state of tension on either side of the Armistice demarcation line with particular reference to the Israel-Jordan border area. To my mind the two complaints before us provide the council with an adequate starting point for such a review."

Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr. of the U.S. then added his endorsement to the South American suggestion.

Taking issue with Mr. Vyshinsky, he said, "I don't think there is anything wrong with people or governments changing their minds," he said. "In the Kibya case it seemed proper and desirable to take up each incident separately. But when a rash of incidents broke out all over the body politic of the Near East, it became apparent that taking up the incidents one at a time would be like a man treating smallpox by putting cold cream on his face."

(UP, Reuters)

## Over 80% Vote In Orderly Nazareth Municipal Election

By GIDEON WEIGERT  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH, Tuesday 1 a.m.—Results of yesterday's election are expected to be announced at 4 a.m. today by the Central Voting Committee after the individual committees have reported.

Mr. Moshe Ruzh, the Election Officer, told The Jerusalem Post late last night that participation in the voting was well over 80%.

NAZARETH, Monday.—Israel's largest Arab town, with more than 20,000 inhabitants, appeared in a festive mood today as residents in exemplary quiet and order went to the polls at 11 places to cast their votes for a 15-man Town Council.

Senior police officers told The Jerusalem Post that they were very pleased with the maturity shown by the voters, adding that apart from a slight quarrel among several women in the morning, no incidents had been reported.

Voting was heavy in the early morning. When the booths were opened at 7 a.m., long queues were already waiting patiently. Each booth was manned by seven-man team and a chairman, representing the Election Committee. No signs of electioneering were visible, but increased traffic was felt with more than 20 outside taxis and rickshaws bringing voters, including some 70 eligible voters who now reside in nearby villages and in Acre and Tiberias.

By noon, 3,000 persons had cast their votes.

There was no trouble with veiled women. Those who did not have photographs in their identity books were not required to identify themselves. There was no sign whatsoever of any pressure being brought to bear by representatives of the various lists inside or near the booths, but nearby streets were lined with propagandists trying to influence voters at the last minute.

Many women from the eastern Moslem quarter were their picturesque peasant dresses, carrying babies in their arms.

The three Arab Knesset Members, Tewfik Toubi and Emil Habib, (Communists) and Seif al-Din al-Husseini, (Muslims) were seen in active support of their respective lists.

Senior officials of the Ministry of Defense, and other common efforts to strengthen the defenses of Western Europe.

Despite the ban on all election campaigning, imposed by mutual agreement by all lists, the Communists made last minute attempts to influence voters in a disguised form by distributing leaflets signed by their periodicals, "Al Ittihad," which carried extracts from the London (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)

## JORDAN FIRES ON RAMAT RAHEL

Fire was opened from Jordan-held territory at 11.15 on Sunday night on kibbutz Ramat Rahel, on the southern outskirts of Jerusalem, the Army spokesman announced yesterday. No one was hit.

Reuters reports from Amman that Jordan yesterday lodged four complaints with the Mixed Armistice Commission, alleging border incidents.

They claimed that Israel forces opened fire on Jordan National Guardsmen in Katana, near Ramallah; that Israel planes twice flew over the western bank of the Jordan; and that Israel forces opened fire at Arab shepherds in Wadi Fukin, in the Bethlehem area.

## CAIRO ENVOY TO TURKEY

CAIRO, Monday (Reuters).—The former Egyptian Ambassador in Rome, Zaki al-Arab, was today appointed Ambassador to Ankara. He replaces Ahmed Hakkı who has been transferred to Brussels.

## US and Britain Plan Asian Pact if Geneva Parley Fails

Accord Reported On London EDC Plan

PARIS, Monday (UP).—Britain and the six nations of the proposed European army pact have reached full agreement on the London plan for integrating British land and air forces with the continental force, high sources said today.

The French Cabinet was asked to approve the British plan of association at a special meeting today. At its end French Information Minister Emile Hugues merely said, "The council of Ministers examined the conditions of British association with the EDC."

Meanwhile, a political crisis threatened in France over the European Army tonight. The cause of the controversy has been Premier Laniel's decision to authorize France's signing tomorrow of the British plan for the U.K.'s association with EDC.

The five Gaullist cabinet ministers called on the Premier this evening to protest against the insufficiency of the British plan, which had been approved at a series of secret meetings of the six nation EDC Interim Commission during the past fortnight.

The five Ministers are reported to have threatened to resign. It was learned from qualified sources that the British plan was accepted after two weeks of secret talks among diplomats of the seven countries.

Mr. Anthony Nutting, Permanent Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs, told Commons last week that Eden would make an announcement this week on the British plan which provides for R.A.F. and ground forces working closely with the EDC forces once the continental army comes into being.

It also provides for a British Minister's attendance at EDC Council sessions for joint training exercises, for exchange of officers and other common efforts to strengthen the defenses of Western Europe.

## Cobalt Bomb 'Not Feasible' for War

WASHINGTON, Monday (UP).—Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research, Mr. Donald Quarles, in a broadcast last night, said that the dread cobalt bomb, which is said to be capable of destroying continents, is "not feasible" as an instrument of war.

Mr. Quarles said that no military man believes the C-bomb could be a weapon of war because the dread cobalt bomb for use in hospitals to treat diseases.

In London, former Prime Minister Clement Attlee said that the discovery of the hydrogen bomb made the Soviet Union more conciliatory to Western proposals for high level talks.

## 700 Mau Mau Supporters Seized

NAIROBI, Monday (Reuters).—More than 700 suspected Mau Mau supporters have been rounded up into special prison camps in the past 24 hours in the first phase of the security forces' renewed offensive against the terrorists.

The offensive was launched at dawn yesterday, after the breakdown of the talks on a mass surrender of terrorists.

East Africa Command said today that most of the arrests now being made were the result of information furnished by the authorities during their contacts with Mau Mau leaders.

In the Mt. Kenya area, three terrorist gangs ambushed and wiped out Kikuyu home-guard patrols and forced men and women in isolated areas to take the Mau Mau oath.

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Col. de Castries, commander of besieged Dien Bien Phu. —Express Photo.

## French Counter-Move Gains Key Hill

HANOI, Monday.—Colonel de Castries, Commander of the besieged fortress of Dien Bien Phu in Northern Indo-China, today sent out his troops to recapture a fiercely contested hill position east of the main stronghold.

The counter-attack, carried out by French and Vietnamese paratroopers, was finished off at bayonet point, after some of the fiercest hand-to-hand fighting since the battle began.

The French were still in control of the hill despite Vietnamese counter-attacks. The aim of Colonel de Castries' move is to improve the defenders' position in readiness for the

## 'NO POLICY CHANGE'

WASHINGTON, Monday (UP).—Highly-placed American official sources said today that the diversion of some Air Force transports to rush supplies to the beleaguered French forces in Indo-China represents a "no change in policy" as far as the United States' present position in the Indo-China war is concerned.

It was revealed on Saturday that transports have been requisitioned in both Europe and the Far East for the Indo-China operations.

third and probably final assault of the besieging Vietnamese forces before the rainy season sets in.

In Hanoi, General Congy, French commander in Northern Indo-China, told reporters that Dien Bien Phu would hold out whatever the rebels threw against it. He said the garrison was now as strong as it had been at the beginning of the battle, following the landing of airborne reinforcements, while the rebels had lost some of their finest units.

In Saigon, the newly constituted Vietnam war cabinet holding its first session ordered a general mobilization of all men between the ages of 20 and 25. This move aimed at bringing the total strength of the Vietnam army to 500,000 men.

## Attack on China Mainland 'Possible', Says US General

KAOHSIUNG, Formosa, Monday (UP).—U.S. Marine Gen. Lewis B. Puller said today he believed Nationalist Chinese forces could assault the Chinese mainland successfully.

Gen. Puller, Maj.-Gen. William C. Chase, Chief of the American Military Mission to Formosa, and other high-ranking U.S. officers watched 6,000 Nationalist marines wade ashore here in the largest amphibious exercise held on Formosa.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, his top military adviser and American advisers and observers watched the landing from caves overlooking the beach where the Japanese had mounted heavy guns against an allied invasion.

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## Five States Seen as Founders

LONDON, Monday.—The U.S. and Britain agreed in principle here today to sponsor a Southeast Asian security pact to deter Communist expansion should the Geneva Conference fail to restore peace in Indo-China, diplomatic sources report.

The pact would probably have Britain, France, the U.S., Australia and New Zealand as its founder members and would be open to South-East Asian states and the Philippines to join.

Mr. John Foster Dulles, U.S. Secretary of State, and Mr. Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, agreed to the move at their talks on Mr. Dulles' call for "united action" to prevent Communist domination of the rich and strategically important area.

(An official statement said the Philippines was replying in this way to the invitation from Mr. Dulles to the Manila government to join other nations in such a warning.)

In Paris, the French cabinet met in emergency session today to map out policy on Mr. Dulles' call for "united action." The U.S. Secretary of State is due tomorrow from London.

Secretary of State Dulles today gave priority to the Middle East during their first session at the Foreign Office this morning.

Diplomatic sources said the two statesmen talked over what their tactics would be when the Security Council next discusses the recent clashes along the Arab-Israeli border. Messrs. Eden and Dulles were accompanied by their respective Middle East advisers.

## Japan Against Entry In Regional Group

TOKYO, Monday (UP).—Premier Shigeru Yoshida said today he opposed Japanese participation in a Pacific counterpart of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation. He told the Diet that the misunderstandings harboured against Japan by the peoples of South-east Asia and Australia had not yet been dispelled, and that the U.S. would not enter into a regional security organization might serve to deepen them.

Meanwhile, Hydrogen bomb anxieties burst forth anew today with the announcement that yet another Japanese fishing boat, which operated far outside the danger area during the recent H-bomb tests, is radio-active.

The "Kichijo Maru" docked at Yaezu today and strong radioactivity was discovered on her mast and nets. The crew did not appear to have been affected.

## Secul Reverses Stand On Pre-Geneva Aid

SEOUL, Monday (UP).—South Korea backed down today in its firm demand for increased U.S. military aid before it agrees to attend the Geneva conference on Asian problems.

Foreign Minister Pyun Tung Tal, apparently reversing himself, and Defence Minister Sohn Won Yil said Korea may go to Geneva without promises that America will equip 15 more ground divisions.

Pyun told the United Press in an exclusive interview that the requested military assistance was South Korean attendance at not an "exact condition" for Geneva.

Sohn told a press conference, "I do not believe our proposal has been made as a condition for our attending the Geneva conference."

Their statements raised hope in diplomatic circles here that President Syngman Rhee will put aside his bitter opposition to negotiating with the Communists and send a delegation to the Switzerland meeting, which opens in two weeks.

The Geneva parley will attempt to solve the Korean and Indo-China problems, but Mr. Rhee, continually threatening to reopen the Korean war, has predicted nothing will be accomplished at the conference table.

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## Truman Flays 'Witch-Hunters,' Return of 'Political Bogeymen'

FULTON, Missouri, Monday (UP).—Former President Truman said today "witch hunters" are loose in the land "armed with subpoenas and the cruel whiplash of unbalanced gossip."

"Once again we are witnessing the return of political bogeymen, who proclaim themselves custodians of our freedom," said Mr. Truman. "They are making a mockery of the very institutions they so callously pretend they are seeking to preserve."

The former president did not mention Sen. Joseph McCarthy by name, but in an apparent reference to him he said:

"There is even one among them whose torrent of wild charges is calculated to damage the faith of Americans in the integrity of their government, army, schools, churches, their labour unions and the Press."

"Most of all, he is threatening the under the respect and confidence Americans must have in one another."

Mr. Truman, speaking at the annual Green Foundation here, said the "political bogeymen" have no more respect for the due process of law, and order than the Communists.

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## Doctors Warn Of 'Serious Steps'

Jerusalem Post Reporters  
The 2,000 doctors in public employment who went on strike yesterday have warned the Government and the public health institutions that unless their demands for salary increases receive immediate attention, they will be obliged to adopt "serious organizational measures."

Telegrams sent by Medical Association meetings throughout the country to the Prime Minister, the Minister of Health, the Knesset and the Histadrut advised the authorities "to avert the dangers to public health entailed by a long strike of physicians."

Dr. Y. Avigdor, of the Association, told a gathering of Jerusalem doctors yesterday morning that the 24-hour strike was "one stage in the fight for reasonable living-standards in the profession. Answering the Government statement that the doctors had already received a salary increase, Dr. Avigdor noted that this increase came 18 months earlier than that granted to other professionals employed in the public service."

**Histadrut Attacked**  
He castigated the Histadrut's hostile attitude towards the strike as "cheap demagoguery" aimed at drawing the Kupa's Holim doctors from the ranks of their profession.

Spokesmen of the physicians from Hadasah, Kupat Holim, and the Ministry of Health, reiterated their grounds for insisting on improved rates of pay.

**THE FOUR OFFICIALS** of the Maintenance Department of the Tel Aviv Municipality, against whom the police had conducted an investigation for alleged misconduct and on whom the District Attorney ruled that there was no case, have refused to resign, as they have been asked to do by the Mayor. The officials claim that they have either been pronounced guilty or else vindicated. They are supported by the Municipal Workers Union and by Masal and Progressive Councilors.

**TEL AVIV VICE-MAYOR** Rabi A. Boyer reported with satisfaction yesterday that the Municipal Sanitation Department has had to engage extra workers to cope with refuse collected by residents in their courtyards in response to the Municipal "Cleanliness Week" which will last until Friday.

**TOURISTS WHO ARRIVED** by El Al from South Africa last week yesterday donated IL100 to Monday Yachad, in the Negev. The sum was collected for the plane's crew in appreciation of their services but they refused it. The airline's spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post*.

**TWO CHURCH BELLS** weighing 120 kg. are to be shipped to South Africa by El Al on Wednesday. They are the gift of Greek donors to the Greek Orthodox Church in South Africa.

**A 19-YEAR-OLD** girl with a criminal record will be allowed to leave for her native land, Tunisia, after completing her prison term on condition that she does not return to this country. Tel Aviv Magistrate, Y. Zohar, recommended yesterday. The girl, Lily Heik, will first serve a three-months' prison term for causing IL31 damage at the Ophir Hotel, Tel Aviv.

**A YOUTH WHO PROMISED** two Hadera women that he would help them get divorces from their husbands, and received IL130 for his "help," was sentenced to 18 months by Judge E. Shalom in the Haifa District Court yesterday. He is Shalom Hamadi, 24, who was found guilty of obtaining the money under false pretences. He had told the women that he was an official of the Ministry for Religious Affairs.

**FOUR YOUTHS** were yesterday sentenced to a month in prison by the Jerusalem Magistrate for assaulting policemen during a demonstration at the labour office in the Hartuv ma'abarot. The youths had thrown stones at a police jeep, causing one constable to lose consciousness.

**THE DRIVER OF THE CAR** which drove three men from the Gan Or Cafe, Jaffa, at 11 p.m. on March 28, to Cafe Kapulsky, in Sd. Rothschild, Tel Aviv, has been asked to contact the nearest police station. The three men, who have been arrested, are reported to have stabbed Mr. Moshe Pinkelstein, of the Gan Or Cafe.

**POTATO PRICE CONTROL** MAY BE LIFTED  
Price control on local potatoes may be lifted, if the present trend towards lower prices continues, a Ministry of Commerce spokesman stated in Jerusalem yesterday.

Meanwhile, he added, distribution of imported potatoes, on ration, has begun. Greengrocers are receiving an additional 5% of their orders, to ensure that consumers receive potatoes in good condition.

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## IL 385,000 PICA Rothschild Awards Myerson Asks Human Approach to Housing

Jerusalem Post Reporters  
HAIFA, Monday.—Donations to various institutions, totalling IL385,000, are to be made by PICA to commemorate the bringing over of the remains of the "Father of the Yishuv" Baron Edmond de Rothschild and the Baroness Adelaide, Mr. James de Rothschild, President of PICA and son of the Baron, announced here today.

The donations are: to the Agricultural Research Station—IL100,000; Technion—IL50,000; Rothschild Municipal Hospital—IL50,000; Va'ad Hayeshivot in Israel—IL20,000; Supreme Religious Centre of the Chief Rabbinate—IL20,000; Mikve Israel Agricultural School—IL10,000; Safad Municipal Hospital—IL10,000; various other donations—IL15,000.

In addition, Mr. de Rothschild announced that during the next two years PICA would distribute five Rothschild Prizes, of IL5,000 each, for outstanding contributions to various fields.

Mr. de Rothschild was pronounced the first Honorary Citizen of Zikhron Ya'akov today.

**Myerson Asks Human Approach to Housing**  
TEL AVIV, Monday.—A "human and realistic approach" to housing problems was urged by the Minister of Labour, Mrs. Golda Myerson, at a symposium on housing arranged by the Engineers' and Architects' Association here today.

Housing was regarded by some economists as "unprofitable" from the point of view of national interest. However, Mrs. Myerson said, proper distribution of housing is the way to achieve the dispersal of population which is essential to the country's economy.

Private building lagged behind needs, Mr. A. Shalom, President of the Association, said in his opening address, though private enterprise invested IL79m. in building in 1931, and IL89m. in 1932, while the Government had invested IL100m. in the past four years.

73% Public  
According to Mr. D. Tanne, Director of the Housing Department of the Ministry of Labour, 232,214 rooms have been built in Israel since 1919, over 73% by public housing companies. Of the 103,800 flats built, half had been assigned to new immigrants, he said. In villages, 26,000 flats have been built, and under the Popular Housing scheme 6,800 flats were built.

**Children Abandoned**  
Five small children were abandoned by their mother, Mrs. Zahava Levi, of Jerusalem, at the office of the Town Mayor yesterday. Last week, Mrs. Levi abandoned them in an Army camp after asking that her husband be released from prison since she could not feed the children on the Army allowance.

Jerusalem police, who could not locate the mother yesterday, left the children with their aunt.

**Tel Aviv Toddlers Late for 'Gan'**  
Jerusalem Post Reporters  
TEL AVIV, Monday.—There was no response yesterday to the Municipality's request for parents to begin registering their five-year-olds in State kindergartens, and Dr. Shaul Levin, head of the Municipal Education Department, warned a press conference today that there were only eight days before registration closes.

Children eligible for kindergartens are all those born during 1929. There will be an estimated 7,500 such children this year, an increase of 1,000 over last year.

Dr. Levin said there was room in Municipal kindergartens for 6,000 children and that the balance would be accommodated in public kindergartens of the women's associations and in private ones.

Registration for the seven Municipal secondary schools is also taking place now. There will be 200 first grade classes with 800 pupils.

**HAIFA INCOME PASSES ESTIMATE**  
Jerusalem Post Staff  
HAIFA, Monday.—A total of IL4,600,000 has been collected in the fiscal year which ended last month by the Haifa Municipality, Deputy Mayor Y. Nussbaum stated at a press conference here this evening. This means that the IL2,281,140 more than the budget estimate.

**NAZARETH**  
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"Sunday Pictorial" to the effect that a Communist would put the Israel Government in a most pitiful and critical position in the eyes of the U.S. Government and influence the political future of the Middle East.

City fathers interviewed by *The Jerusalem Post* pointed to the four major problems tackled by the outgoing Council and waiting successful completion by the new one. These are:

- Finding accommodations for school classes. The Government has already placed suitable plots for building a new secondary school at the Municipality's disposal. Funds are to be allocated by the Council and the Government's Development Budget.
- Completing a drainage system. This is to be financed equally by the Municipality and the Government. The outgoing Council has requested an IL25,000 loan from the Government for this purpose.
- Solving the town's urgent water problem. The present quantity of 800 cubic metres a day is totally insufficient during the summer and an overall new water scheme is essential. During his recent visit to the town, Mr. I. Rokach, the Minister of Interior, announced that the Government would implement a scheme to provide cheap and sufficient water to the town's reservoirs. The Municipality is to sell and distribute the water to the consumer.
- Town improvements such as street widening and building.

All these problems, if tackled seriously, may provide sufficient work to overcome the bulk of the town's present unemployment crisis.

**Stripes for Proficiency**  
Jerusalem Post Staff Reporters  
TEL AVIV, Monday.—Advancement of non-commissioned officers in the Defence Forces has been subjected since April to fixed rules which are expected to ensure uniformity, the chief of the Adjutant General's Organizational Department told correspondents today.

N.C.O.'s will be given promotion only after passing examinations to establish their proficiency in their trade. The three grades of proficiency established by the Army will be recognised by the Histadrut trade unions.

In the Army, the three grades will correspond to the ranks of corporal, sergeant and sergeant-major.

Soldiers in field formations will get special proficiency badges, woven in brown or red, to indicate the particular branch in which each was successful. The badges will be worn high on the right arm.

**BATION NEWS**  
JERUSALEM: Fresh meat: 150 gr. Hot 19, temp. 58; for invalids: 500 gr. Medical Association coupons dated 11.4. Fillet: 150 gr. Hot 19, temp. 58; Carp: 100 gr. Hot 19, temp. 58; Potatoes: 3 kg. Hot 27, temp. 63; for soldiers on leave: 1 kg. Hot 19, temp. 58; Rice: 250 gr. on Alph cards, 200 gr. on Bet cards, Hot 2, temp. 21.

SOVEREIGN DISTRICT: Fresh meat: 150 gr. Hot 19, temp. 58; Eggs: 4 Hot 14, temp. 4; for ex-patriate members: 8, women 15 from old cards; for invalids: 4 on Hot Alph 2 cards, 3 on Hot Bet 2 cards, 3 on Hot Glim 14 cards; for vegetarians: 5, Hot 19; Pottery: 250 gr. Hot 25, temp. 58; for ex-patriate members: 1,000 gr. coupons: 1, 8; for elderly persons: 500 gr. Mem 24; for invalids: 500 gr. Hot Bet 2, Potatoes: 3 kg. Hot 27, temp. 63.

The maximum price for first quality fresh meat has been fixed at IL1.000 a kilogram; for potatoes on ration, 250 gr.; for best carp, IL1.000.

**Flying for Pessah**  
LYDDA AIRPORT, Monday.—Air tourist arrivals for Pessah will reach their peak tomorrow and Wednesday.

KLM, Air France and TWA Airlines have arranged to state a press conference on those days, and the LAI plane is due to arrive on Wednesday instead of next Sunday.

A specially chartered plane from Lydda is due to bring 25 pilgrims tomorrow night. A group of 20 Dutch tourists is to arrive on the same night. A specially chartered El Al plane arrived from South Africa with tourists this afternoon.

**Minimum Stocks Of Grapefruit Held**  
Jerusalem Post Reporters  
TEL AVIV, Monday.—The Citrus Marketing Board, acting on the recommendation of the Ministry of Finance, resolved yesterday to store only 20,000-30,000 crates of grapefruit for the summer, sending all exportable fruit abroad.

Cultured citrus fruits, unfit for export, will be available till the end of May, spokesmen of the Board points out that the population has a sufficient store of vitamin C to last it for the summer months and that other fruits and vegetables are in plentiful supply.

Meanwhile, by tonight 6.7 million crates of citrus were sent abroad and total exports are expected to reach the 7.5 million mark, the most optimistic figure envisaged at the beginning of the season.

Citrus exports this year ought to bring a net income of \$30m.

**'The President' Opens Today With Pleasantness Its Motif**  
Jerusalem Post Reporters  
The 64-room President Hotel, Jerusalem's first top-grade kosher hotel, was opened yesterday to a press conference with full Pessah bookings on hand for the official opening today.

Began two-and-a-half years ago, the hotel's construction material and furnishings is locally-made.

Yesterday, Mr. Feig and the interior decorator, Mr. Heinz Seelig (who was also responsible for the interior of the Megidol fin wing of the Pessah restaurant) and showed newsmen round the building.

The main structure (architects, Rubia and Friedman) is of Jerusalem stone, with the outside wall near the main staircase of glass. The dining hall is walnut and turquoise. Each room has a bath and a telephone and plans are ready for installing radios (now in Haifa Port).

The bar downstairs, which is to remain open nightly until 3 a.m., overlooks what in a month's time is to a swimming pool (heated when necessary).

**Forest in the name of the late ROSA BLUM**  
In May 1934, on the death anniversary of Mrs. Shoshana (Rosa) Blum, who was an active Zionist here and abroad, especially in the field of Youth Aliyah, her husband Dr. Asher Blum, will initiate the planting of a ten thousand tree forest in her name at Ma'ale Balamisha.

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## Belgian Catholics Lose Majority

BRUSSELS, Monday.—Belgium's Social Christian (Catholic) Premier, M. Jean Van Houtte, handed his resignation to King Baudouin today after his party lost its absolute majority in yesterday's general elections.

According to provisional results, the Social Christians will remain the strongest single party with 96 seats in the Lower House — a loss of 12. The Socialists received 87 seats — a gain of 10.

The Liberals won an additional five seats bringing their strength to 24. The Communists retain four seats — a loss of three. Two Social Christian splinter parties each returned one deputy.

Of the Senate seats already declared, the Social Christians returned 49 — a loss of 8; Socialists 42 — a gain of 5; Liberals 11 — a gain of one; Communists 3 — a loss of one; a Socialist-Liberal coalition returned two Senators. The remaining 69 Senators will be chosen by the Provincial Assemblies.

As a result of the elections a Socialist-Liberal coalition would command an absolute majority in the Chamber, but observers here regarded a broad coalition including the Social Christians as more likely.

**Cables in Brief**  
HELICOPTER.—The U.S. Army is reported to be examining the tactical capabilities of a newly-developed one-man helicopter which is strapped on like a parachute.

DEATH.—Senator Dwight F. Griswold, former director of the American Aid Mission to Greece and three times Governor of Nebraska, died early yesterday after a heart attack. He was 60.

OUT OF GAOL.—Marie Besnard left Bordeaux gaol yesterday after spending almost five years in French prisons awaiting trial for the alleged poisoning of six members of her family. A Bordeaux court granted her provisional liberty.

**BUILDING.**—UNESCO has announced that contracts are to be awarded internationally for building and equipping its new permanent Paris home. Separate contracts are expected to be given for each part of work on the seven-story conference building which is to stand on stills.

COMMONWEALTH.—Queen Elizabeth II proclaimed the Commonwealth as "a powerful instrument in safeguarding freedom and peace" when she opened the Ceylon Parliament in Independence Memorial Hall yesterday.

EDITIONS.—Ten U.S. newspaper editors and publishers have arrived in London after a three-week tour behind the Iron Curtain. They said the Russians were "very civil — but careful."

**GLASS FOR TURKEY**  
HAIFA, Monday.—A contract for the export of 300,000 square metres of plate glass and 7,000 square metres of safety glass from the Phoenix plant here to the Turkish Glass Import Syndicate, has been signed by Solicitor, a Soviet-Bony spokesman announced here today.

The glass will be supplied during the present year.

Together with other export contracts already signed with Turkish firms, Phoenix will market over half-a-million square metres of glass in Turkey during this year, double the amount exported last year.

Besides the exports to Turkey, Phoenix has also been selling glass to the U.S. and some 50,000 square metres have already been sold there, the spokesman stated.

**Fuel Low in Baghdad**  
NICOSIA, Monday (Reuters).—Iraq authorities have warned airport officials here that fuel for aircraft arriving in Baghdad from Cyprus is restricted because of a shortage following the recent floods in Iraq. Aircraft on scheduled services to Baghdad can obtain only half of their normal requirements.

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